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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Security Committee

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MEMORANDUM FOR: SECOM Members

FROM: [redacted] STAT
Chairman

SUBJECT: Computer Security Subcommittee

1. Recently I met with the Computer Security Subcommittee (CSS) at the request of the members to discuss the group's status. I advised the CSS that the Director, IC Staff has decided that the IC Staff's interface with the NTISSC shall be through the Information Handling Committee (IHC). This, I believe, does not affect the CSS's mission, based on DCID 1/11, to formulate advice for the DCI on the protection of intelligence information in automated systems.

2. The CSS members present expressed frustration at their inability to devote as much time as necessary to the subcommittee. I realize that computer security specialtists are scarce, and their full-time jobs are demanding. Nevertheless, I agreed to enlist the help of SECOM members to seek the cooperation of the CSS members' supervisors in trying to allow the CSS members more time for SECOM business. Therefore, I would be most grateful if you would seek the indulgence of the supervisors of your organization's member of the CSS for this purpose. If the CSS is to survive as an entity in the security policy field, it must produce credible, practical proposals. This requires the members' time, effort and expertise.

3. Please try to help. [redacted] STAT

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